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Inmate Death at USP Tucson

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Thursday, November 12, 2020, inmate Murry Bailey tested positive for COVID-19 and was placed in medical isolation at the United States Penitentiary (USP) Tucson in Tucson, Arizona. He received daily symptom checks and was assigned to a unit with 24-hour supervision. On Monday, November 16, 2020, he was transported to a local hospital due to respiratory distress. On Sunday, December 13, 2020, Mr. Bailey, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by hospital staff.

Mr. Bailey was a 71-year-old male who was sentenced in the Northern District of Alabama to a 720 month sentence for Production of Child Pornography and Possession of Child Pornography. He had been in custody at USP Tucson since May 16, 2014.

USP Tucson is a high security facility that currently houses 1,340 male offenders.

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